

City Manager Woodard informed Council the time has come to hire another employee at the Wastewater Treatment Plant; and she will proceed with advertising.

City Manager Woodard informed Council a Fish Fry is scheduled for Thursday, April 5, 2007, at 6:30 p.m., at Fire Station #1.

City Manager Woodard stated she needs another date for the Retreat.

All Council present agreed to reschedule the date for the Retreat as Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 9:00 a.m. at the William A. Zorn Airport.

All Council present agreed to set a secondary date of Wednesday, April 11, 2007, for the Retreat.

Commissioner House suggested planning a dinner for the appointed boards in appreciation of all they do.

Mayor Shaw suggested inviting the boards to the Fish Fry on April 5, 2007.

All Council present agreed.

Commissioner Nichols inquired about the status of the Surplus sale.

Mayor Shaw stated the form needs to be submitted if the City is going to sell surplus property online.

All Council present agreed to sell surplus property online.

Commissioner Nichols reminded Council the Dogwood Festival is this weekend.

Commissioner Reddish made motion seconded by Commissioner Johnson to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel.

All Council present voted yes.

Upon returning, Mayor Shaw stated City Manager Woodard will travel to other cities and job-shadow their City Managers.

Meeting Adjourned,

Rose M. Jackson
City Clerk/Treasurer

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Roll call was as follows:

Mayor, Herb Shaw	Present
Commissioner, Gerald DeWitt	Absent
Commissioner, Ray House	Present
Commissioner, James Johnson, Sr.	Present
Commissioner, Geneva Nichols	Present
Commissioner, Ricky Reddish, Sr.	Present
Commissioner, Bobby Townsend	Present
City Attorney, Alvin Leaphart	Present
City Manager, Onda Woodard	Present
Police Chief, Butch Hutcheson	Present

The Lord’s Prayer was led by Reverend Vann Dempsey of Calvary Baptist Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Police Chief Hutcheson.

Commissioner Nichols made motion seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve minutes dated February 20, 2007, with the following correction: Police Chief Hutcheson was absent.

All Council present voted yes.

A Public Hearing was held on the request of Hammond Development to rezone Map 86, Parcel 15, approximately 38 acres, from C-3 to R-3 for the purpose of a subdivision. This property is located northwest of Kmart on Sunset Boulevard.

Mike Altman, representing Hammond Development, was present and gave a Powerpoint presentation on the proposed subdivision, “Altamaha Estates.”

Mr. Altman explained there would be 71 single-family homes built. Seven homes would be sold immediately after construction. The remaining 64 homes would be rent to own.

No one present spoke in favor of the rezoning.

Tom Dunlap, Loretta Boykins, Lee Rickard, Charlotte Lyons, Dan Shalongo, and other Wayne Terrace residents spoke against the rezoning. They stated the construction of this subdivision would cause their property value to decrease.

Commissioner Townsend stated he and Commissioner Johnson traveled to Waynesboro, Georgia and visited “Pecan Grove Subdivision”, hosted by Mr. Altman. He stated it was a nice complex for where it’s located, but does not meet this area’s standards.

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner Nichols to deny the request of Hammond Development to rezone Map 86, Parcel 15 from C-3 to R-3.

All Council present voted yes.

Police Chief Hutcheson was present to request approval to rehire a previous certified Police Officer at the same salary he was making when he left employment with City.

Police Chief Hutcheson stated he is 4 officers short right now, and it takes approximately a year to get a new employee certified and properly trained to patrol the streets.

Commissioner Johnson made motion seconded by Commissioner Townsend to allow Police Chief Hutcheson to offer a former officer the salary he made when he left.

All Council present voted yes.

City Manager Woodard stated County Administrator Mike Deal has requested to join the City’s Surplus Sale.

City Manager Woodard informed Council she has agreed to allow the Emergency Medical Service to move into the Jesup Fire Station until they can move into the National Guard Armory. They will share the utility bills.

All Council present agreed.